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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS CONGRESSIONAL CORRESPONDENCE:
DETENTION OF EDUARDO JOSE PORCEL (SENIOR) (362/78/5)

H PASS: HONORABLE STEWART B. MCKINNEY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WASHDC

1. DEAR CONGRESSMAN MCKINNEY:
IN RESPONSE TO YOUR RECENT INQUIRY REGARDING THE
WHEREABOUTS OF EDUARDO JOSE PORCEL, THE FOREIGN
OFFICE WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS HAS JUST
GIVEN US THE INFORMATION THAT HE IS BEING HELD
UNDER "EXECUTIVE POWER" BY DECREE 1659 OF 12-1-74.
HE IS CHARGED WITH BEING A MEMBER OF THE
REVOLUTIONARY PEOPLE'S ARMY ("ERP") AND HE IS
HELD AT THE U-9 PAVILION OF LA PLATA PRISON. HE
REQUESTED "RIGHT OF OPTION" TO LEAVE ARGENTINA
ON 11-28-75 BUT SUBSEQUENTLY DROPPED HIS REQUESTED
ON 2-17-75.

2. THE EMBASSY WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR THIS
CASE AND WE WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED OF ANY FURTHER
DEVELOPMENTS.

3. SINCERELY YOURS, MAXWELL CHAPLIN, CHARGE
D'AFFAIRES.
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